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RE: Canadian Patent Application No. 412,490
Our File: PM 1045
Thermophilic Denitrification of Tobacco

Dear Ms. Pierri:

Enclosed is a copy of the Examiner's recent action in the Canadian case, due for a reply by October 13, along with copies of earlier actions and responses. Since you are handling the US prosecution, perhaps you can shed some light on the Canadian Examiner's objections, particularly with regard to the retention of the broad language of Claim 13, defining the thermophilic organisms.

I presume you already have copies of the US amendments and arguments. The Canadian specification appears to be substantially the same as that filed here.

If you should need any other background material, please call Chris (274-2823), as I will be away on vacation until August. You might also check on the status of the US case. Our files show nothing since the Examiner's two month suspension, initiated December 20, 1984.

Sincerely,

Beverly Monroe

cc: P. K. Holland, Ridout & Maybee

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